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CHAFEE AND BOND MAKE SUPERBOWL BET MISSOURI PORK VS. RHODE ISLAND LOBSTERS

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WASHINGTON – Senators Lincoln Chafee (R-RI) and Kit Bond (R-MO) today confirmed their wager over the St. Louis Rams and New England Patriots Super Bowl game to be played this Sunday in New Orleans.

If the New England Patriots win the game, Kit Bond will give Lincoln Chafee five pounds of Missouri's choicest pork loins. If the St. Louis Rams win, Lincoln Chafee has promised five pounds of lobsters to Kit Bond.

Bond, a senior appropriator, said he naturally selected pork for the friendly wager. "I have often said that pork is a mighty fine diet for Missouri -- low in fat and high in jobs," said Bond, who strongly backs the St. Louis Rams.

Chafee, an avid Patriots fan, and an Andover classmate of coach Bill Belichick, said, "I'm always trying to bring pork back to Rhode Island. If the Patriots win the Super Bowl, New England will be living high on the hog for the next year."

Neither Senator plans to attend the game, but will be watching closely on television.